

CHAPTER NO. 902

SENATE BILL NO. 2098

By P. Springer, Burchett, Harper

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2431

By Kernell, Garrett, Brooks

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 68, Chapter 11, relative to the board for licensing health care facilities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-219(a), is amended by deleting item (8) in its entirety.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-221(a), is amended by adding a new item thereto, as follows:

() Board for licensing health care facilities, created by Section 68-11-203;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-216(a), is amended by deleting the language and punctuation ", to be set by regulations of the board and", and by deleting the following language, punctuation and numbers:

	<u>Not to exceed</u>
Less than 50 beds	\$ 400
50 beds to 74 beds	500
75 beds to 99 beds	600
100 beds to 124 beds	700
125 beds to 149 beds	800
150 beds to 174 beds	900
175 beds to 199 beds	1,000

and for hospitals of two hundred (200) beds or more, the fee as promulgated by the board shall not exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000), plus sixty dollars (\$60.00) for each twenty-five (25) beds or fraction thereof in excess of one hundred ninety-nine (199) beds.

And by substituting instead the following language, punctuation and numbers:

Effective July 1, 2000

Less than 50 beds	\$ 600
50 beds to 74 beds	725
75 beds to 99 beds	850
100 beds to 124 beds	975
125 beds to 149 beds	1,000
150 beds to 174 beds	1,225
175 beds to 199 beds	1,350

and for health care facilities of two hundred (200) beds or more, the fee of one thousand three hundred fifty dollars (\$1,350), plus one hundred dollars (\$100) for each twenty-five (25) beds or fraction thereof in excess of one hundred ninety-nine (199) beds.

Effective July 1, 2001

Less than 50 beds	\$ 800
50 beds to 74 beds	950
75 beds to 99 beds	1,100
100 beds to 124 beds	1,250
125 beds to 149 beds	1,400
150 beds to 174 beds	1,550
175 beds to 199 beds	1,700

and for health care facilities of two hundred (200) beds or more, the fee of one thousand seven hundred dollars (\$1,700), plus one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) for each twenty-five (25) beds or fraction thereof in excess of one hundred ninety-nine (199) beds.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-216(b), is amended by deleting the language, punctuation and numbers "annually not to exceed four hundred dollars (\$400)" and by substituting instead the language, punctuation and numbers "effective July 1, 2000, an annual fee of six hundred dollars (\$600); and effective July 1, 2001, an annual fee of eight hundred dollars (\$800)".

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-216(b)(2), is amended by adding the following language to the end of such subdivision:

It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities generate fees in an amount sufficient to pay the costs of operating the board, including but not limited to licensure and inspection costs. On or before June 30, 2002, and each year thereafter, the commissioner shall certify and report to the Government Operations Committee of each house and the Tennessee Code Commission if the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities did not, during the fiscal year, collect fees in an amount sufficient to pay the costs of operating the board. If the board fails to collect sufficient fees to pay the costs of operating the board for a period of two (2) consecutive fiscal years, the board shall be reviewed by the joint evaluation committees and shall be subject to a revised termination date of June 30 of the fiscal year immediately following the second consecutive fiscal year during which the board operated at a deficit.


SECTION 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: June 8, 2000


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 19th day of June 2000


DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR